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RESPONSE

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed January 22, 2002, please consider the following amendment and remarks. This response is timely as it is accompanied by a petition to extend the time for response to May 22, 2002 (one-month extension).

Amendment

In the specification:

Please substitute the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 1, with the following replacement paragraph: